I am against restricting bandwidth in the amateur radio service.

Several respondents have incorrectly stated the purpose of the amateur radio service is (basic) communications. For the purposes of informing them the amateur radio service is;

Designed to provide a radio service having a fundamental purpose as expressed in the following principles:

- (a) Recognition and enhancement of the value of the amateur service to the public as a voluntary noncommercial communication service, particularly with respect to providing emergency communications.
- (b) Continuation and extension of the amateur's proven ability to contribute to the advancement of the radio art.
- (c) Encouragement and improvement of the amateur service through rules which provide for advancing skills in both the communications and technical phases of the art.
- (d) Expansion of the existing reservoir within the amateur radio service of trained operators, technicians, and electronics experts.
- (e) Continuation and extension of the amateur's unique ability to enhance international goodwill.

The proposed rule making does not facilitate these purposes except from an obtuse and one sided perspective.

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